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In re application of: Jose Manuel MENENDEZ, et al Group No.: 1791 10/795,800 Serial No.: J. Wollschlager Examiner: Filed: March 8, 2004 PROCESS AND TOOLING FOR REDUCING THERMALLY INDUCED For: RESIDUAL STRESSES AND SHAPE DISTORTIONS IN MONOLITHIC COMPOSITE STRUCTURES **Commissioner for Patents** P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE OFFICIAL ACTION OF APRIL 28, 2009 In response to the Official Action of April 28, 2009, it is requested that the application be amended as follows: Amendments to the claims being on page 2. Remarks begin on page 8. CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8(a) and 1.10* (When using Express Mail, the Express Mail label number is mandatory; Express Mail certification is optional.) I hereby certify that, on the date shown below, this correspondence is being: MAILING deposited with the United States Postal Service in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. 37 C.F.R. 1.10* 37 C.F.R. 1.8(a) as "Express Mail Post Office to Address" with sufficient postage as first class mail. (mandatory) Mailing Label No. _ EFS-WEB TRANSMISSION transmitted electronically transmitted by facsimile to the Patent and Trademark Office. to (571)-273-8300 Signature Date: July 28, 2009

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